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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lieutenant Colonel William Parr
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IAC Guided Missiles Intelligence Committee

ATTENTION: Major Richard Haley

1. As you know, the Guided Missiles Branch of the Office of Research and Reports (ORR), CIA, prepared the basic contributions to NIE 11-5-57 and SNIE 11-10-57 relating to the economic impact and investment and operating costs of several possible Soviet guided missile programs. Cost analyses of present and probable future Soviet missile systems is a continuing responsibility of both the Office and this Branch.

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2. At the present time there are areas where U.S. data available to this Branch are inadequate for the type of analyses under way. In the case of Army missiles, our most important gap

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3. It appears likely that the Redstone-Jupiter program more nearly approximates current Soviet ballistic missile systems than any other U.S. programs, not only in the hardware itself, but also in the developmental concepts and growth potential. As a result, we urgently need data also on the experience, inputs and the scale of effort in growing from the shorter range Redstone to the longer range Jupiter.

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use of this type of information is solely for the purpose of deriving factors which we can apply to estimates of the Soviet missile program. In all instances we are prepared to treat any information so desired as completely proprietary, in the same manner we treat similar information from industrial concerns. Such information will not be available to personnel outside of CIA and will be used only as background information. It should be understood that planning and operations research data relating to programs which have not been activated may be as valuable as approved Army programs for our purposes. In view of the approaching complete revision of NIE 11-5-57 this data is urgently needed. May I request that you, as the Army Member of the IAC Guided Missiles Intelligence Committee, ascertain whether reports containing information of the type outlined above can be made available to the Guided Missiles Branch of OGS, CIA.

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